PROCLAMATION

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Covernor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

June 17, 1977

As provided under the provisions of Section 14, Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Texas, I disapprove of House Bill 364 and am filing same with the Secretary of State setting forth the following objections:

I disapprove of House Bill 364, relating to advances for travel expenses for state officers and employees, because it can create a fiscal liability for a state agency which may not be adequately covered in the agency's appropriation. It provides also an opportunity for misus of state funds.

This bill amends the Travel Regulations Act by requiring a state agency to set up a cash fund for travel advances, regardless of the size of the agency and this could adversely affect small state agencies budgets. Currently they may set up a revolving petty cash fund. Furthermore, this bill mandates cash payments in advance for projected travel expenses, without limit as to time. This could invite use of state travel funds for illegitimate purposes. The present practice of payment is a superior and more efficient method of accounting.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have here unto signed my name officially ar caused the seal of the State of Texas to be affixed hereto at Austin, Texas, the 17th day of June, 1977.

DOLPH BXISCOE Governor of Texas

MARK WHITE Secretary of State